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Trigger Hippy

Steve Gorman and Nick Govrik relaunched their dormant soul-rock band Trigger Hippy with a new lineup this year and their gig at Thirty Tigers' day party on Friday proved it was wise to stir the beast. Rounded out by vocalist Amber Woodhouse and singer-guitarist Ed Jurdi (of Band of Heathens), Trigger Hippy offered a preview of their upcoming album *Full Circle and Then Some*. "Don't Want to Bring You Down" illustrated the power of having three singers in a band with Govrik, Jurdi, and Woodhouse each taking a verse, while "Born to Be Blue" offered the charismatic Woodhouse her own moment in the spotlight. Gorman may be best known as the drummer for the dysfunctional Black Crowes (a wild ride he recounts in his upcoming book *Hard to Handle*), but with Trigger Hippy he's found a more easygoing type of chemistry. **JOSEPH HUDAK**